

# 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SPEEDS UP

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## SPECIAL TRAIN, CHICAGO

### To Open New Floral Shop In Meridian

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MERIDIAN

BEAUTIFUL FLORIAL SHOP TO  
OPEN UP IN MERIDIAN

For many, many months we have done our best to urge some of our young people to open up and manage a beautiful florist in Meridian. We have not as yet been able to interest anyone. Our People whine and complain about something to do but a very few of them have the courage to do. As Editor of the Weekly Echo, I have fully decided that a group of us are going to get together and start such a business.

#### Wanted!

We are now searching for a man, woman or probably a young girl who wants to do something. One with a reputation and character, one who knows how to meet the public, to enter into this new field. Since we do not have a colored florist in the city, we are going to have it, we need it, we must have it. The time has come that Negroes must do business for themselves if they expect to be recognized in the business world.

If you want to be a good Christian, do something. I don't believe that you can be a real good Christian with an empty belly, a naked back and bare-footed. The God that I serve, has too much food, too many clothes, and too many shoes to let me go naked, hungry and bare-footed.

Wanted! somebody who wants to work  
For further information write the Weekly Echo or telephone 3377.

### The 75th Anniversary Of the General Pres. Of The H.B.A. Makes Big Gains

PRESIDENT'S ANNIVERSARY  
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H. B. A. MAKES BIG GAIN

The 75th anniversary of President E. F. Young of the Holbrook Benevolent is attracting wide attention. Presidents and agents from all sections

#### Picayunc, Miss.

Mrs. Maggie Martin has returned from Chicago, Illinois, where she was at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Bettie Ware. Mrs. Martin reports that her daughter is up and going again.

PICAYUNE, MISS.

Dear Secretary:

Please send me some application blanks down here at once. Mrs. Earl Swain is really walking about in Picayune. She means to get 10 members for the June Board. Mr. Barnett, what do you have to say to that?

A. A. Trotter, Lodge No. 373

Burns proved fatal to little Bettie Jean Davis, the charming little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzie Lee Davis. The infant fell into a basin of hot water. She was only 19 months old. Mr. Davis left from Picayune sometime ago and was employed in Jackson where this took place. The body was laid to rest in Jackson. She leaves to mourn her lost, 2 brothers, 1 sister and a host of relatives.

A. A. Trotter, Reporter

Mrs. Maud Thompson, formerly of Toomsaba, Miss., who now resides in Cincinnati, Ohio, was a visitor in the H. B. A. Office last week. Mrs. Thompson was called home because of the death of her father, Mr. Hollis Robinson, who resides in Toomsaba, Miss. The office and the Weekly Echo sympathize with Mrs. Thompson in the loss of her dear father.

His remains were laid to rest in the Shamburg Cemetery, Saturday, April 4th.

We wish to thank our many friends and members of Lodge No. 174, also

our President, Brother C. L. Hall for the loyal way they stood by us in our sad hours of sickness and death of our husband and father in the person of Brother James Fairley. Brother Fairley passed on Feb. 23, 1942.

### EASTER DRIVES GO Over Big

BIG EASTER DRIVE

The pastor, Reverend W. P. C. Taylor of Rose Hill Methodist church and his members made a strong pull Easter. According to reports, they raised approximately \$55.00 with a membership of thirty or forty.

#### REVEREND LUKE BEARD HOLDS INTERESTING EASTER SERVICE

Reverend Luke Beard, the popular and energetic pastor of New Hope Baptist Church held interesting services all day Sunday. The people enjoyed the messages as well as the program. Approximately \$70.00 was raised.

#### HAVEN CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH ALL SMILES

Reverend H. J. Griggs, pastor of Haven Chapel Methodist Church and his good members are all smiles over their Easter Drive. According to reports, the amount raised was about \$140.00.

#### NEWELL CHAPEL C. M. E. CHURCH HAD INTERESTING EASTER SERVICE

According to reports from the officers of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, the Easter services Sunday and Sunday night were superb. The people everywhere who attended the services were loud in their praise with reference to the strong sermon delivered Sunday Morning. This was undoubtedly one of the best sermons the pastor has ever preached at Newell Chapel Church.

The Easter assessment was \$65.00. The officers report having raised \$70.00 or more.

#### ADMINISTERS SACRAMENT

Reverend R. L. Young, together with one of his stewardesses, Mrs. C. A. Leach, administered sacrament to a large number of sick members on Monday morning of this week. The Lord's supper was not only administered to the members of Newell Chapel Church, but to other members of Methodist and Baptist Churches.

#### REVEREND E. A. MAYS HAS IN- TERESTING EASTER SERVICES



According to reports coming from St. Paul Methodist Church, Reverend E. A. Mays, the popular pastor and

his members raised around \$450.00. The people are loud in their praise in the work of their pastor.

#### BASSFIELD NEWS

Dear Editor:

Please allow space for a brief synopsis of our church work at Holly Springs C. M. E. Church with Rev. M. J. Jones as pastor. Shortly after Rev. Jones and his family moved to this work, he saw the need of getting the people of the rural interested to the extent to measure up to a standard of a station and this he has done. A piano has been purchased and paid for cash and a choir has been organized, along with other auxiliaries. Several converts have been added. The M. I. College choral group was with us on the 20th of March and through this effort around \$50.00 was realized.

We are hoping to send our pastor to the General Conference in Chicago in May. Up-to-date, we have raised around \$550.00 on all claims.

Reverend M. J. Jones, Pastor  
E. L. Reese Tate, Sec. & Reporter

#### REVEREND R. L. YOUNG AND BROTHER REPORT FINE TRIP

Reverend R. L. Young, pastor of Newell Chapel Church and his brother E. F. Young, Jr., report a ten day enjoyable trip, while visiting in Cleveland, Ohio, Indianapolis, Chicago, Jackson, Tennessee and other points.

#### PROUD AND HAPPY

Miss Lillian E. Larkin is the proud and happy mother of more than 200 baby chicks. She sees to it that they have plenty to eat and a plenty to drink.

#### SLOWLY IMPROVING

Mrs. Adlean Hardy, who has been indisposed around two months is improving at her home.

The mother of Mrs. Hattie McElroy has been on the sick list. However, she is improving.

Mr. T. J. Young who has been sick practically all the year, seems to be

### Delegates To The C. M. E. General Con- To Have Special Train

SPECIAL TRAIN TO CHICAGO IN  
MAY  
DELEGATES TO THE C. M. E. GEN-  
ERAL CONFERENCE TO HAVE  
SPECIAL TRAIN

According to reports from Reverend R. L. Young, the delegates and friends going to Chicago in May will have a special train leaving Mobile, Alabama in the afternoon, arriving in Meridian about 6:20 on Monday, May 4th.

This train will go all the way through to Chicago. Special dining service will be available for the many delegates and friends. The special car occupied by the delegates will be equipped with radio service and special car attendants.

All persons desiring to go to Chicago, leaving Meridian Monday evening,

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### To Deliver Commencement Address



REV. R. L. YOUNG TO DELIVER the Stevenson Junior High School,

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Reverend R. L. Young, Pastor of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, will deliver the Commencement address at

Toomsaba, Miss., on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Prof. H. Hannah is the principal of this school. He is a graduate of Alcorn A. & M. College.